# **COVID-19 VACCINES:**Third Dose and Booster Guidance



## Who is eligible for a booster dose?

- 1 A person who has received 2 doses of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine, <u>AND</u>
- 2 Are 65+, OR a long-term care resident, OR 18\_ with high risk of severe COVID-19 due to underlying health conditions or workplace exposure, <u>AND</u>
- 3 It has been 6 months since the person received their second dose of Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine

#### Who is high risk?

Conditions that put people at high risk include but are not limited to:

 Diabetes, lung disease, heart disease including hypertension, kidney disease, and obesity

Work settings that put people at high risk include but are not limited to:

 Public transit, postal service, grocery stores, food/agriculture, manufacturing, correction, education, first responders, healthcare workers, and congregate setting staff

## **Booster validation**

When reviewing a patient's COVID-19 vaccination information, check:

- Vaccine product is Pfizer
- It's been 6 months since the 2nd dose
- Patient is 18 or older

If patient is not eligible based on the time interval, schedule an appointment for the earliest date they are eligible.

### Who is eligible for a third dose?

- A person who has received 2 doses of the Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, AND
- Are moderately to severly immunocompromised, AND
- 3 It has been at least 28 days after their second dose of Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine.

#### Who is immunocompromised?

People who are moderately to severely immunocompromised include those who have:

- Been receiving active cancer treatment for tumors or cancers of the blood
- Received an organ transplant and are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
- Received a stem cell transplant within the last 2 years or are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
- Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency
- Advanced or untreated HIV infection
- Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that suppress your immune system

#### Third dose validation

When reviewing a patient's COVID-19 vaccination information, check:

- Vaccine product is Pfizer or Moderna
- It's been 28 days since the 2nd dose
- Patient is 18 or older

If patient is not eligible based on the time interval, schedule an appointment for the earliest date they are eligible.